

Appln No. 10/656,086

Amdt date November 2, 2007

Reply to Office action of August 2, 2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 6-19, and 31-34 remain in this application with claims 14-19 withdrawn as directed to a non-elected species. In the August 2, 2007 Office action, the examiner rejected claims 3-5 as anticipated by Kim et al. Publication No. US 2001/0009744. However, applicant has canceled claims 3-5 making this basis for rejection moot.

The examiner further rejected claims 3-5 as anticipated by Noh et al. U.S. 7,223,500, rejected claims 1, 3-7, 9-13, and 31-34 as anticipated by Kim et al. U.S. 7,105,250 ("Kim '250"), and rejected claims 1, 3-13, and 31-34 as obvious over Kim et al. U.S. 7,205,073 ("Kim '073"). However, applicant notes that the Noh et al. reference has a U.S. filing date of September 3, 2003, the Kim '250 reference has a filing date of August 11, 2003, and the Kim '073 reference has a filing date of March 21, 2003. Given that the priority date of the present application is September 6, 2002, none of these references is prior art to the present application. In support, a verified translation of the priority document is attached. Based on the priority date of the present application, these bases for rejection are now moot. Furthermore, the rejection of claims 3-5 based on Noh et al. is further moot in view of the cancellation of claims 3-5. Consequently, claims 1, 6-13, and 31-34 are allowable over the art of record.

Regarding claims 14-19, the examiner has indicated that these claims remain withdrawn because there is no allowable generic or linking claim. Applicant submits that in view of the allowability of claim 1 which is generic as to the solvent used, claims 14-19 are also allowable and should be rejoined.

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Claims 1, 6-19, and 31-34 remain in this application. If the examiner has any remaining issues which can best be addressed by telephone, she is asked to contact applicant's counsel at the number below.

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